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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT COURT OF ILLINOIS

Plaintiff: Byron C. Williams, JR. VS.

Defendants: Thomas Trice

Case No: 14-1246-MJR-SCW

MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C 1915 (e) (1) plaintiff, Byron Williams moves for an other appointing counsel to represent him in this case, In support of this motion Plaintiff State:

- 1 Plaintiff is unable to afford counsel he has requested leave to proceed in forma Pauperis
- 2 Plaintiff imprisonment will greatly limit his ability to litigate. The issues involved in this case are complex, and will require significant research and investigation, Plaintiff has limit access to the law library and limited Knowledge of the law
- 3 A trial in this case will likely involve conflicting testimony and counsel would better enable plaintiff to present evidence and cross examine witness

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Dear Mr. Williams,

I am in receipt of your letter. Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation, Inc. provides civil legal assistance to the poor in a variety of areas.

However, Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation, Inc. is federally funded, and under current federal law, we cannot assist prisoners in any civil litigation or in any criminal or post-conviction matters.

I am sorry that we are unable to be of any assistance to you. Sincerely,

Kathy Fleshren Managing Attorney

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Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter is in reply to your letter of August 22, 2014. Legal representation by this office is governed under the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act. Only certain types of criminal cases provide for Federal Defender representation. 1983 Civil proceedings are not within the purview of the Act. Therefore, this office is not able to represent you.

You can petition your Presiding Judge for Court appointed legal assistance. This is governed by a different statute and funded by different monies. I'm afraid that's the best we can do for you. Good luck.

Very truly yours,

PHILLIP J. KAVANAUGH Federal Public Defender

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